MEMORANDUM

TO: Heads of Fire Departments

FROM: Stephen D. Coan

State Fire Marshal

DATE: February 1, 2007

SUBJECT: Federal Energy Act of 2005

On August 8, 2005, President Bush signed into law the Federal Energy Act of 2005. This act contains a number of provisions related to underground storage tanks.

The attached document provides highlights of the underground storage tank provisions. Fire departments can expect to see increased inspection by compliance officers from this office. The Energy Act mandates that all underground storage tanks that have not been inspected since December 1998 be inspected by August 2007. In many cases, compliance officers will need assistance with tank documentation from fire departments.

If you have any questions regarding the underground storage tank provisions of the Energy Act, please contact the Code Compliance & Enforcement Unit at 978-567-3375 or in western Massachusetts at 413-587-3181.